

# 301<sup>st</sup> District Court Application For Appointment as Attorney/Guardian Ad Litem or Amicus

*No appointments will be made without a current application on file unless agreed to by all parties. Email this application and a copy of your resume and proof of attendance of the annual statutory guardian training to [cnicholson@dallascounty.org](mailto:cnicholson@dallascounty.org)*

**Applications are accepted during the month of August for the following fiscal year.**

NAME _____ LAWFIRM _____ ADDRESS _____ _____ EMAIL _____	SBOT No. _____ SSN/Tax No. _____ PHONE _____ FAX _____ WEB PAGE _____
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**I am applying to be appointed:**

CPS action: <input type="checkbox"/> Children <input type="checkbox"/> Indigent Parents (CPS Termination)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Indigent Contempt Respondents	<input type="checkbox"/> TRCP 308a (child support) appointments	<input type="checkbox"/> Publication
<input type="checkbox"/> Parental Notification	<input type="checkbox"/> Ad Litem/Amicus for child(ren) in a private action	
<input type="checkbox"/> I am willing to volunteer my services as an amicus for child(ren) in a private action. I understand that no fees will be paid by the parties or Dallas County for my services. Cases are eligible for appointment if they meet the following criteria: (1) either one or both of the parties are not represented due to financial hardship, (2) family violence, mental illness or drug use is present in the case, and (3) best interest of the child(ren) may be compromised because of the existence of either of the above conditions.		
<input type="checkbox"/> I am willing to volunteer my services as a publication attorney. I understand that no fees will be paid by the parties or Dallas County for my services. Cases are eligible for appointment if the Petitioner is found by the Court to be indigent.		

Date Licensed \_\_\_\_\_ Years in family law \_\_\_\_\_ % of practice devoted to Family Law \_\_\_\_\_  
 Board Certified ?  Yes                       No      Area(s) of Certification \_\_\_\_\_  
 In what Foreign Languages are you proficient? \_\_\_\_\_

**Answer the following questions:**

YES	NO	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you completed the annual statutory guardian training? If yes, when? _____ Name of course _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you previously been appointed to represent parties in CPS actions? If yes, how many? _____ Which courts? _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you previously represented parties in Contempt actions? If yes, how many? _____ Which courts? _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you previously represented parties in a family law case tried to a jury? If yes, how many? _____ Which courts? _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you accepted Pro Bono family law cases in the past twelve months. If yes, number of hours in last twelve months? _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you ever been the subject of a public or private sanction by the Texas Board of Disciplinary Conduct? If yes, please contact the judge to explain.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED ANNUALLY FOR COURT USE**

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Filed \_\_\_\_\_